

U.S. ARMY SPECIAL FORCES COMMAND (AIRBORNE) EMPLOYER'S STATEMENT

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Employer's Statement for Sgt. 1st Class Christopher L. Robinson

Sergeant First Class Christopher Robinson began employment with the Mississippi National Guard Counterdrug Task Force in 1992, as a mobile reconnaissance team member. In 1993, he transferred to a Team Leader position for a Freighter Interdiction Surveillance Team (FIST) attached to the U.S. Customs Blue Lightning Strike Force in Gulfport, Miss. In 1995, Chris was transferred to Jackson, MS to serve on a ground reconnaissance/ observation team tasked with supporting law enforcement agencies statewide. He quickly became the technical expert, training others on the wide variety of equipment utilized in this mission. In 2001, he was assigned to a position at the Gulf Coast High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) office in Pearl, Miss., where he served as an intelligence analyst. The HIDTA supports drug investigations by law enforcement agencies across the Gulf States. In 2003, Chris was brought back to the Jackson Counterdrug Task Force office to take over as Team Leader for the ground team on which he had earlier served. He remained in this position until he left the Counterdrug Program to take a position with the 2/20th Special Forces Battalion in 2005. Chris also worked with the Drug Demand Reduction (DDR) program, visiting schools and camps throughout the state of Mississippi and training children on basic navigation and survival skills while emphasizing the dangers of using illegal drugs.

Chris was also a highly sought-after trainer. He has taught law enforcement officers and military counterdrug personnel in counterdrug tactics and procedures from all over the nation. He was one of the original instructors in the Mission 5A Operators Course taught at the National Interagency Counterdrug Institute and has taught numerous Operations Skills Courses at the Regional Counterdrug Training Academy.

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